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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 19 and 21 July 1993, there appear to have been 11 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are attached as Annex I to this note verbale.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 706.

ANNEX I

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON FLIGHTS IN THE AIRSPACE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE UNITED NATIONS PROTECTION FORCE

(19 - 21 July 1993)

SRL	DATE	START	END	REMARKS	HEADING SPEED ALT.
718	19 July	04.35	05.34	NATO fighters reported radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter, with blue stripes and a red cross, 12 kilometres southeast of Zenica heading southwest. Ignoring multiple warnings, the helicopter eventually landed 10 kilometres south of Zenica. After a short delay, it took-off again. Additional warnings were issued and subsequently ignored. A few minutes later, it landed 5 kilometres west of Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South, then North Slow 1,200-1,300 ft.
719	19 July	07.00	07.30	UNPROFOR received a CASEVAC request for a flight from Banja Luka (Zaluzani airfield) to Bijeljina, 48 kilometres northeast of Tuzla, and return. The flight took-off prior to being inspected. The aircraft was successfully recalled and landed at Zaluzani. This flight occurred in an area controlled in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	Take-off/Landing
720	19 July	12.16	12.16	UNMOs at Dubrave airfield observed an MI-8 helicopter taking-off. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Take-off
721 722	19 July	17.30	17.37	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with two camouflaged Gazelle helicopters 30 kilometres southwest of Banja Luka heading south. The helicopters started manoeuvring when they saw the fighters. Contact was lost with one Gazelle. The second landed 40 kilometres southwest of Banja Luka. These flights occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	South Slow Low
723 724	19 July	18.10	18.31	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with two white MI-8 helicopters with blue stripes near Zenica. One helicopter flew south and landed 12 kilometres west of Sarajevo. The second landed at Zenica. These flights occurred in an area controlled by the government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Slow Low
725 726	20 July	06.50	07.50	ECMM Zenica observed a white and blue MI-8 helicopter with a red cross. The helicopter was heading north when sighted and landed at Zenica. A helicopter, possibly the same one, was subsequently seen at 07.50 flying northeast of Zenica. These flights occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North Unknown Unknown
727	21 July	06.15	06.25	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross. The helicopter was 25 kilometres south of Zenica heading north. It ignored warnings from the fighters and landed near Zenica a few minutes later. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North Slow Low
728	21 July	08.30	08.49	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter 30 kilometres southwest of Tuzla. It continued heading southwest ignoring warnings issued by the fighters. Contact was lost 33 kilometres southeast of Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Southwest Slow Low